

Tuckahoe Public Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 20, 2009

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

In attendance: Joanne Kennedy, Ed Keenan, Alison Chilson, Ginger Crosby, Jaquie McCray, Luigi Marcoccia (Village Trustee Liaison) Debbie Coppola (Director).

Signing of Vouchers

April Vouchers: \$7,828.70, Trust & Agency \$0

President's Report:

Approval of April minutes - Motion to approve Joanne, Ed 2nd, All in favor.
Joanne and Debbie met with the mayor and the entire board to discuss the library's budget in attempt to secure greater funds.

Library Liaison Report:

Calendar – events to talk about at the Village meeting

Monthly Library Calendar: Luigi to highlight:

Story Time on Fridays - see calendar for times

Adult Book Club May 21st 11AM & May 11th 6:30PM

Flower Arrangement Demonstration May 7th at 11:30

Creative Writing for Teens April 22nd & May 13th at 4:30

Luigi is asking for a meeting with the mayor. The library needs \$15,000 above the \$416,864 tentative budget for 2009-2010 to keep the hours intact.

Guests at 7:30

Three members of the new Friends of the Tuckahoe Library came to meet us and to introduce themselves. They are: Joan Ronson, Selma Levy and Connie Delaurentis. They are true users of the library and are in the process of completing the paperwork for a 501c3 status. The friends group will write grants and raise funds for programs and materials that the director and board agree on.

Director's Report:

Circulation: 7270 up from 6594 in 2008 & 6036 in 2007

Raccoon in the library – It is uncertain how the raccoon entered the library but the TDPW pruned trees hanging over the roof as a precaution against further invaders.

Budget discussion continues with every effort to get additional funds for the library.

Fax machine – There was a patron at the library who became angry when told that the library does not have a fax machine for the public's use. Debbie faxed the

papers for the patron and all was resolved. The board discussed adding a public fax machine but it was decided that there is not enough of a demand for it.

New York State unemployment help – the library is giving space for a representative to talk to participants on Monday from 2:30-7:30.

Library Mission Statement – Ginger gave Debbie and the board some samples to review for further discussion.

Inclement weather conditions - Local library staff would need a ride to the library in a snow storm since the sidewalks are not shoveled and the bridge is not cleaned off, therefore making it a treacherous journey in the winter. The board recommended a delayed opening when street and sidewalk conditions are hazardous.

Lions Club is coming on May 4th for children's vision screening.

Old Business: Unattended Children's Policy to be reviewed and voted on at May's meeting.

Next Meeting:

Monday, June 15, 2009 at 7pm

Public Discussion – limit to 3 minutes per person

Executive Session

Adjournment: 8:15 PM, Motion by Joanne, Alison 2nd, All in favor

Ginger A. Crosby
Recorder of Minutes